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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of Whitehall Municipal Electric Utility for Authority to
Construct Electrical Distribution System Additions

6490-CE-101

NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION

THIS IS AN INVESTIGATION to consider the application of the Whitehall Municipal Electric Utility (Whitehall) for authority under Wis. Stat. § 196.49 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 112 to construct a new substation and 0.4 mile of new 69 kV transmission line and to upgrade its existing distribution system.

Whitehall is an electric public utility as defined in Wis. Stat. § 196.01 (5)(a), providing electric service to approximately 1,000 customers in the city of Whitehall and surrounding area. Whitehall's proposed project consists of constructing a new West Whitehall Substation, a new 69 kV tie line, and upgrading its existing electric distribution facilities, in the city of Whitehall, Trempeleau County, with an estimated total cost of \$1,076,000.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicants. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicants in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

This is a Type III action under Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 4.10(3). While the preparation of neither an environmental impact statement under Wis. Stats. § 1.11, nor an environmental assessment is normally required, an environmental review will be conducted to ensure that no significant environmental consequences are likely to occur as a result of this project. Persons wishing to comment on environmental aspects of the proposed project should contact William A. Fannucchi, Public Service Commission, P. O. Box 7854, Madison, WI 53707, or call (608) 267 -3594.

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Other questions regarding this matter may be directed to docket coordinator Randy J. Hillebrand at (608) 267-1473.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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